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Robin F. Barmum

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of this application, please amend the claims as follows:

#### IN THE CLAIMS:

11. (Amended) The cache subsystem of Claim 10, wherein said cache memory is adapted to store at least three sets of local variables, each set used by a different method and at least two of said sets mapped adjacent a local variable pointer associated with a calling method.

Should the Examiner have further inquiry concerning these matters, please contact the below named attorney for Applicant.

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